

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) A mounting device for joining a vehicle body to attachment elements, in particular to chassis elements, the mounting device comprising: being provided with ~~metallically stable centering pins for insertion into centering openings of the body, characterized in that the centering pins consist of a metal basic body (1) and a plastic sleeve (2) mounted thereon so as to be removable like a stocking, each of the free centering pin ends being designed to be curved like a dome~~  
centering pins consisting of a metal basic body, and  
a plastic sleeve adapted for insertion into centering  
openings of the vehicle body,  
wherein the plastic sleeves (2) are in each case pushed  
onto one of the metal basic bodies (1) like a stocking and in  
each case curved like a cap at the centering pin ends, and  
wherein in the state when they have been pushed onto a  
basic body (1), the plastic sleeves (2) are in each case  
connected to the basic body (1) via a releasable snap lock.
2. (canceled)
3. (currently amended) The mounting device as claimed in claim 1 2, characterized in that wherein the plastic sleeve has an  
open end and a closed end, and wherein the resilient snap lock

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is formed by an annular groove (3) provided in the plastic sleeve (2) close to the closed end thereof, as well as a cooperating and an annular collar (4) of the associated basic body (1), which collar engages complementarily in the groove.